Johnson, both brothers-in-law of Bruneni; George W. Healy, Paul Robinson and Raymond H. Vestal.

Kishwaukee School, which this year dropped from first place in Friends Fete Grocer, 73; had 767 pupils on Friday, a de Store Doomed by Bridge

spoke the words with his custonary chuckle, but he wasn't real-

614 Prairie St. falls victim to progress within weeks — perhaps

A neighborhood landmark since 1895, it now must be torn down to make way for the approach system to Rockford's Whitman

"I'm going to miss it all. I'm last in the little grocery store. going to miss the people." said G. W. Healy recalled "whittling like mad" on the old porch which

years, you know, and I love it., a penny for an ice cream cone and eggs for \$ cents a dozer

Bruneni's words reached several and was afraid to charge a "The prices have changed,"
of his friends, who had gathered nickel because it might not sell." was noted. memoration — Louie's 73rd birth-ward P. Mechling, another Bru-Louie. "The customers are differ-day and the impending culmina-neni customer, who became a gen-ent now." tion of his friendly service to cus-eral in the Army and was one of In the old days, they talked

A small boy walked to the coun-

it" Louie answered.

Followed by two companies of the little customer hurried out of the

of them set a chocolate - coated cake in front of Louie. It was marked: "Happy Birthday."

They sang the familiar birthchorus of "God Bless You Tomorrrow. . . God Bless You,

"Be 73 tomorrow (Saturday)." explained Louie, chuckling again as he showed the cake around before placing it in a refrigerated compartment behind his counter.

The cake was baked by Mrs. Refty Kendrick, a regular customer who makes a habit to remember Bruneni's birthday in one way or another.

In a corner, more of Louie's friends were recalling good times: in the little store.

Raymond H. Vestal. who was

born across the street from the store and frequented it when he. was a Hall School pupil, recalled driving the grocer's Model T truck, used for deliveries in the

"Hey. Louie." Vestal recalled suddenly. 'Did you know I learned how to drive with that old Model T of yours?"

Vestal can count five generations of store customers among his

begin their area campaign today nebago County courthouse.

the United States.' neni purchased it.

Vestal's mother, Mrs. Bertha Bruneni learned that Mrs

Viggs also has a child.

Wouldn't it be something, the group agreed, if they could get Mrs. Wiggs' child in the store before it was torn down? "Then you could say you've had six generations of one family,

Louie laughed heartily.

George Becker remembered Ed-

ties in the country. "There's been a lot of prominent prices.

ter and shoved a comic book cov-people in this store." mused Beck- Joe McCarron, who formerly op rer and shoven a counter of the people in this store." Imused Beck"Can I have this, Louie?" the boy pleaded. "It's only one page."

"Arthur L. Johnson. once the "Arthur L. Johnson. once the local postmaster. President Roose"Uset a cover? Sure, son. take local postmaster. President Roose"He was a traveling salesman."

"Louie answered. velt gave him an extra year as and he knew a lot of them." some-Followed by two companions, the postmaster so he could be elected one laughed.



relatives. His grandfather, William Louie—a familiar name to generations of neighborhood resi-Fischer, was a familiar figure in dents—exhibits the smile which has made life-long friends out the little store—generally surthe little store—generally surrounded by a host of neighbor—series as a grocer at the same address. (Morning Star photos)

The complaint against in a similar project by someone
goods department was broken point where Fleming fixed his 12 around Rockford via the Loves Case, was sended by Sheriff Iver else, if he had faith in it. Seele
gauge shotgun.

Park Toll Bridge.

We Johnson.

reardidate Sidney Yates will arrive the Lafayette Hotel to discuss videre Chamber or Commerce.

"Eddie O'Shav (current Rock-"Eddie O'Shay (current Rockcome and go in this place. Now
I'm going too."
Snow-haired Louis Sanford Bruneni, for half a century the favolores. Wiscos. also shopped there. His
sister, Mrs. Iva Checkaris, her
daughter, Mrs. Lucille Powers, and
Mrs. Powers' daughter, Mrs. Dohere on his way to St. James. rite grocer of generations of residents in a near North Side area, customers. "Yes." Bruneni chuckled again.

'I remember Eddie O'Shay.' A youth in a T-shirt walked to and carefully weighing them on

like a pound," Bruneni explained. Louie laughed heartily.

There were other memories that "Otherwise, we've got those," he later worked in the cutting room later work siasm toward the five-and 10-pound factory before he made the trans- lis, 438 (389); Fairview, 731 (661); sacks on a shelf behind him.

Someone brought up prices, and Bruneni recalled when butlong-time customers and friends. once fronted the store. Vestell read Bruneni recalled when but "I've dealt with people for 50 membered when Bruneni charged ter sold for 15 cents a pound to the store of the sold for 15 cents a dozen.

tomers from the Prairie St. ad the first aviation ordnance authori-about the wars, about current

going to miss it." Police Race

ece through the aisles of the Sears Roebuck & Co. store, 711 Main St. Saturday night in burglars.

Answering a burglar alarm at the store, six squads of police found a rear door ajar and surrounded the building while the store was searched.

Combing the store. officers came up with a 12-year-old boy, who tried to run away after he was spetted by police. He in-formed Sgt. Ben Palmeri that two other boys were in the

Cant Willard Lundberg found transistor radio and a wristwatch in the boy's pocket. They were identified as being stolen from the store. Meanwhile, other officers were in hot pursuit of another 12-year-old and a 14-year-old, who dodged around Swedish-American Hos counters and behind display the pellets removed.

and the family has invited Bruneni to move in with them. Bruneni recalled that his wife' Bruneni recalled that his wife's Alpine, 7th and 8th grades, 62 mother, Mrs. Edith Robinson, pur- (43); Jefferson, 1,351 (1,551); Lin-

LeRoy Bruneni, operates a gro-

cery at 310 N. Longwood St.,

28,714 in Class

Friday here was 13,322, up 525

collment in secondary schools

was 12,600, compared with 11,993

Freeman School had 96 special ducation pupils Friday, up from

Largest single enrollment was at

Vhitehead School, which had 785

voungsters in kindergarten through

sixth grades, compared with

crease from 823 a year ago.

Kindergarten enrollment through

High school enrollment on Fri-day, with last year's figures in

Auburn, 1,669 (1,639); East, 2,-

210 (2,264); Guilford, 1,402 (not

open in 1961); and West, 1,664

West this year also reports three

post-graduate students, while At

Elementary school attendance

Alpine, 163 (131); Barbour, 597

mary, 269 (251); Henrietta Inter

mediate, 213 (202); Highland, 573

785 (705): and Wight, 397 (386).

Sharon De Line, 7, 10017 S

oon while fishing with her uncle,

Ira Fleming. 10307 S. Main St., told deputies he was firing at a

pack of dogs near his home when

Main Road, was accidentally hi

by a shotgun blast Saturday after

Dan De Line, near her home.

the accident occurred.

Junior high school

WHITEHEAD LARGEST

on Sept. 15 1961.

colliment of 27,430.

year ago.

chased the store from the John coln, 1,663 (1,852); Roosevelt, 1, the counter and asked for a half-Cardiff family in 1912, and Bru- 311 (1.396); Washington, 634 (733); pound of sugar. Bruneni obliged, neni operated it with his wife unshoving the grains from a drawer til she died about 20 years ago. GRADE SCHOOLS

Bruneni, himself, used to shop in the store when he attended Hall including kindergarten and fol"I do that only for small orders, School. He was a soda jerk and lowed by last year's figures, is: formation from patron to proprie Franklin 352 (387); Garrison 36 tor at the store just before his 23rd (363); Gregory, 202 (123); Hall, 229 (260); Hallstrom, 420 (419); Haskell, 379 (295); Henrietta Prbirthday.

Did he think, at that time, he ould be there for 50 years? Bruneni laughed loudly. (558); Jackson, 436 (442); John"After 10 years, I wanted to get son, 751 (713); Kishwaukee, 767

out. You know how a young man (823).

Lisser; Rock River, 396 (580); Rolling Green, 693 (691); Summerdale, 479 (478); Turner, 347 (330); Walker, 537 (496); Washington 5th grade, 90 (40); Welsh, 610 (592). West View, 709 (716); Whitehead, 785 (705), and Winte 207 (2021)

Around Store After 3 Boys rand, operated by the Rockford for the time being at least.

heilding.

found discarded in the store.

store when it closed and let the dogs away and did not intend to Rockton and Kilburn Aves.

South Beloit, was arrested early crything." Seele said, dismissing other two in later. All three shoot them. The dogs were near "It better be finished then." Saturday on charges of operating the thought, were charged with burglary. The knowledge and experience the creek where the girl and her Schurday and the tavern without a state or county. Police said several radios were unche were fishing.

Off in my estimates now.

Iicense.

The has gained from his years of the Midwest experifound discarded in the store.

Ebens said the girl was stand. When complete. Riverside Blvd. Casey was receased on \$200 work might induce him to invest exceed temperatures as much as

Election's Picnics, Rallies Jam Calendar lican National Federation. will been invited to speak

Morning Star Political Writer about 3 p. m. to address the kick progress of the campaign and GOP candidate for Congress in the Speak.

With election day just seven off raily.

Democrats in Wisconsin's 1st draw plans for the stretch drive 12th District, will appear alongside victory Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. cludes Green. Rock and Walworth Democrats in Wisconsin's 1st weeks away, the political pot will Area Republicans already, held ahead.

Robert Coulson, Republican normining this week after a their mitial rally eight days ago. Their counterparts, the Demoat the Ogle County Fairgrounds, cratic county candidates, are nee for state senator to replace the report of a nominating com- Democrats" drive on Saturday. Both parties are entering a pe-Oregon.

Scheduled to meet at 8:30 p. m. McClory in the 52nd District.

Sept. 22. The fund drive will riod of concentrated activities that Monday night at 7:30 p. m., the Thursday. Sept. 20. in the home. The dinner begins at 6:30 p. m. Winnebago County Young Dem-end Tuesday. Oct. 2.

will build with increasing intensi- Reckford 3rd Ward Democratic of Erland Nelson. 409 Warren in Casa Mia restaurant ocrats will gather at 7:30 p. m. Winnebago County Young Republican ty right up to Tuesday Nov. 6. Club has scheduled a meeting in Ave., probate judge candidate. At 12:30 p. m. Thursday at 4907 N. 2nd St. Northern Illinois Democrats will the Traffic Courtroom in the War- Two Republican candidates have 20, the Women's Republican Club The Republican central committed at Macktown Forest Preaccepted invitations to speak of Winnebago County will meet in tee of Winnebago County meets serve. Golfing will start at 10 with a picula - raily from mon. At noon Wednesday, Sept. 19, Re- Wednesday, Sept. 19, at a dinner Mendelssohn Hali. 415 N. Churchiat 8 p. m. Friday, Sept. 21, in a. m. with dinner planned for 5:30 at Rock Cut State Park publican candidates from Winne-in Belvidere sponsored by the St. Mrs. Laddie Hutar, Chicago, headquarters, 1014 4th Ave. Con-p. m. All local GOP candidates northeast of Rockford. Senatorial bago County will meet for hunch in manufacturers division of the Bel-co-chairman of the Young Repub-gressman John B. Anderson has have been invited.

CITY SCHOOL City's Last 6,000 Dead ENROLLMENT RISES 1,284 Elms Start Falling Monday By STANLEY BUCKLES to begin work on those six con-Morning Star Staff Writer tracts worth \$333.464 which the Arland Olsen and Joe Dobel, en-ment. After 1 st Week

Rockford's last 6.000 dead elms corporerty should begin falling to the woodman's saw Monment, after the first full week of the rate of removal should be 9 spectors who will keep a daily log estry division.

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Rockford public property should begin falling to the woodman's saw Monment and L. What is the property of the property classes, totals 28,714 — an increase elms a day.

ROCKFORD MORNING STAR

der the system now devised. Although the contracts were

Goebel's Tree Service, which

The only out-of-town contractor,

ouipment here, said Johnson. Rockford aldermen decided on

City Police

has been promoted to sergeant, the Board of Fire and Police Com-

issioners announced Saturday.

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he retirement of

Donovan Saun-

ame a state pa

selgren will fill

opening in the Traffic Division

Selgren joined the Rockford po-lice force March 17, 1947, and was

ber of 1952. He served in the

a vacancy cre-

ole officer.

Selgren, veteran of 15 years on

Promotion

able to begin Monday, too.

on each of the three contractors Each will be assigned a con-public officials and private individ-T. F. Johnson, Rockford public where they are working, ho w tractor, explained Johnson. And uals regarding the elm tree reworks commissioner. Saturday many trees they take down, and besides daily reports, he will ask moval, Johnson said their ques-Grade school enrollment through said private contractors are about any damages to private property for a month - end summary tions can be readily answered un-



project east of Rockford, look at the towering

Seele has used in the ill-fated project. (Morning

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ouickly.

Louie. "The customers are different own." Journal of the customers are different own." Journal of the customers are different own." Journal of the customers are different own. When the customers are different own. When the customers are different own. The customers are different own. When the customers are different In Shadow of Dry Oil Rig. It is served in the armed forces during World War III, and was wounded while serving in Europe. The promotion of Selgren will

Not included in the enrollment Ivan A. Seele, 1620 Paradise! They bought a drilling machine hole." he added, glancing rily at mean unacture promoted to detective, and a at the Boys Farm School, Dustrike oil in Winnebago County—The elder Seele died about three towered over him. "You don't new identification officer named.

Selgren lives at 2324 Nebraska years later, but his son kept really know, you're always test- Selgren lives at 2324 Nebraska

"I had some backers then."

Seele has a new idea, one that drilling away, and the yearsing getting information more or Road with his wife. Jeannette. On Sept. 15, 1961, the school had he hopes will pay off in a small passed.

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Road farm property back in early all day. Acting strictly on this hunch, There were the usual discouragements-well difficulties, tools they had some tests made. The sticking-but Steele didn't give up. ly, when his drill reached the results were encouraging. There was oil there, the experts There were also occasions when 3.390-foot mark in October, 1961, agreed. The question was, how

The Seeles meant to find out.

Riverside Blvd. To Open Oct. 1 Completion of the county's \$600, oil. but oil won't shove water,"

000, two-mile Riverside Blvd, ex. Scele said. Sharon, the daughter of Mr. tension project now is expected

Swedish-American Hospital to have Schroeder said contractors still the pellets removed.

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SIDNEY YATES

. . Speaks here today

"That's the trouble with a test Seele said, smiling. and Mrs. Bud Clyde De Line, was by Oct. 1. Supt. of Highways hit by seven pellets in the left George R. Schroeder said Satur-Nab South Beloit

He still is not convinced his original hunch was incorrect. After all, even radar tests showed

Club Operator there was oil-bearing structure on the property. Perhaps, at that during the day. "There's gotta be an end to ev-

"But I wouldn't want to work it myself," he added, He has proposed using an

electric motor to pump the great supply of water up into a clearing adjacent to the ill-fated oil-drilling area.

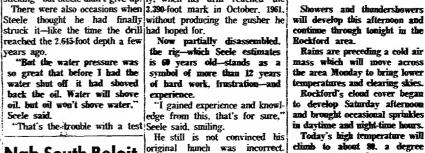
The result would be a fairly spacious lake.

After all, Rockford is growing like a son of a gun," he said. Oakley Ave., state parole officer, "I've got a well here, and I can was injured but not hospitalized. pump out all sorts of water. Peo-Saturday in a collision blamed on

"I knew the oil well was a game truck driven by Gary O. Conk-ble when I started." he said ling, 21, Garden Prairie. Police seriously considering it."



Saunders' car collided with a when the accident occurred.



Will Precede

Cooler Air

climb to about 80. a degree Temperatures will dip into the

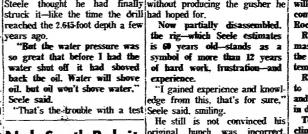
upper 50s tonight as the cooler air begins moving into the Rockford area.

24 degrees lower as the cold air mass arrived. Local flooding from rains occurred at Kansas City, Topeka, and Springfield. Mo., which received more than three inches Friday night and

Saunders Hurt; Signal Blamed

Donovan A. Saunders, 52, 519 ple could swim . . . and there's a faulty traffic signal on W. State shade here, too. Look at those St. at Avon St.

This would be a gamble too said a traffic signal at the inter-Maybe it's a crazy idea, but I'm section was not working properly



Seele finally gave up. reluctant-